Global Anti-Semitism: Select Incidents in 2019

December

- Argentina

  - San Juan: Escuela Modelo de San Juan students reportedly made a Nazi-themed school project parodying Aqua's "Barbie Girl" song. The school dismissed the teacher and had students study anti-Semitism in response

- Canada

  - Montreal: A Jewish student at McGill University faced pressure to resign from her student government position for accepting Hillel Montreal's invitation to travel to Israel and the West Bank. The Student Society of McGill University Board of Directors rejected the society's legislative council's motion calling for the student's resignation.

- France

  - Paris: An Israeli student was beaten unconscious on the subway for allegedly speaking Hebrew on his phone.

  - Westhoffen: Over 100 graves were found covered with swastikas and anti-Semitic graffiti at a Jewish cemetery.

- Germany

  - Berlin: A teenage student was allegedly strangled by three peers while they yelled anti-Semitic abuse at him.

- Ukraine

- Kyiv: A statue of Sholem Aleichem, a leading Yiddish author and playwright was vandalized with swastikas. ADL commended the Ukrainian government's immediate condemnation of the incident.
- United Kingdom
  - London: A rabbi was hospitalized after reportedly being attacked over Shabbat by two teenagers who yelled "Kill Jews" and other anti-Semitic remarks.

November

- Argentina
  - Buenos Aires: A Swastika was painted in a bathroom stall at the Law School in Buenos Aires with the message, "Out with the Jews."
- Canada
  - Toronto: The University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union apologized for linking positions on Israel to a Jewish student's request to bring kosher food options to campus. The Students' Union agreed to work with University of Toronto Hillel to conduct an anti-Semitism workshop and bring forward a motion to support the kosher food campaign.
- Columbia
  - Bogotá: A menorah monument on Israel State Avenue was vandalized with the word, "Israel" covered in paint and a swastika drawn below it.
- Denmark
  - Randers: A prominent neo-Nazi activist and an accomplice were arrested for allegedly vandalizing over eighty Jewish tombstones around the anniversary of Kristallnacht, a wave of violent pogroms against Jews throughout Germany and Austria.
- Germany

- Berlin: An elderly man was beaten in an attack police allege to be motivated by anti-Semitism. A teenager was initially arrested after the incident and reportedly called the pensioner a "Jew."
- Freiburg: Police investigated an attack in a fitness studio where the perpetrator allegedly tore off a teenager's kippah in the locker room, called him a "dirty Jew," and exclaimed "Free Palestine."

- Italy

  - Milan: Octogenarian Holocaust survivor and Italian Senator-for-life Liliana Segre was assigned police protection after reports of daily bombardment by anti-Semitic messages and death threats.

- Sweden

  - Stockholm and Helsingborg: Yellow stickers with "Jude," resembling Nazi yellow stars, were put on the Jewish community center in Stockholm, the Great Synagogue of Stockholm, and on Jewish institutions in Helsingborg

- United Kingdom

  - A Muslim woman intervened to defend a Jewish family from anti-Semitic abuse on the London Tube. A man was arrested after allegedly reading anti-Semitic Bible passages to a boy wearing a kippah on board.

October

- Australia

  - Melbourne: A Jewish boy reportedly was subjected to anti-Semitic bullying, including being forced to kiss a classmate's shoe.

- France

  - Nice: A man was arrested after reportedly yelling anti-Semitic threats and trying to break into a Jewish school. A security guard successfully expelled the intruder.

- Toulon: A Muslim man assaulted the owner of the Optical Center shop, which had a mezuzah on front door, while shouting "Allah hu akbar," Arabic for Allah is the greatest. He was later convicted of a hate crime.

- Germany

    - Berlin: Security personnel subdued a knife wielding man reportedly attempting to run into a synagogue. The assailant allegedly called out "Allahu Akbar" and "Fuck Israel."

    - Halle: On Yom Kippur, a gun wielding man tried unsuccessfully to enter a synagogue where approximately 80 congregants were worshiping. After the failed attempt, the gunman shot at nearby individuals, killing two and wounding two others, none of whom were affiliated with the synagogue

- Pakistan

    - Islamabad: Following a meeting between George Soros and Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan, Pakistani politicians and media engaged in a slew of anti-Semitic rhetoric depicting Pakistan as controlled by Jews & the Prime Minister, a Jewish "puppet."

- Poland

    - Kraków: A swastika and the inscription, "Whores Jews, get the fuck out of Poland," was reportedly found on a former Krakow Ghetto wall.

    - Warsaw: Ahead of the country's national elections, flyers were put up demanding an end to Holocaust property restitution. The posters featured images of Israeli diplomats and Jewish figures and included anti-Semitic language such as "Beware of parasites."

September

- Belgium

    - Ghent: The University of Ghent posted a hooked-nose gesture for 'Jew' in a sign language video.

- Poland
  - Warsaw: Several Israelis were reportedly violently attacked and knocked unconscious in a nightclub after the assailants asked where they were from. The perpetrators allegedly shouted, "Fuck Israel."
- Spain
  - Barcelona: "Free Palestine" was spray-painted on the front door of the Synagogue of the Jewish Community of Barcelona.
- United Kingdom
  - Manchester: A man launched into an anti-Semitic rant referencing Gaza, directed toward a couple in traditional Jewish clothing aboard a tram.

August

- Argentina

  - Buenos Aires: Argentine Congressman Waldo Wolff, noting his "Jewish condition," claimed his neighbor directed anti-Semitic abuse at him and labeled the politician a "Fascist" and "Zionist."
- Canada
  - Toronto: The Edmonton Journal apologized for an anti-Semitic cartoon featuring a hacker with a black beard and prominent nose.
- Germany
  - Berlin: Two men reportedly attacked a Jewish man, striking him in the back while he was walking at night. A police statement said the victim was wearing clothes identifying his faith.

July

- Canada

- Canada's latest hate crimes report reveals that, despite a steady drop in hate crimes, antisemitic incidents hold steady.

- According to the report, religion continues to be the number one cause of these crimes.

- Poland

  - Tarnow: A cemetery was vandalized a month after rededication with "Jews eat children. Jadowniki eats Jews" painted on the outer wall.

- Turkey

  - Istanbul: A Turkish Islamist newspaper has published an anti-Semitic report claiming that Jews living in the Beykoz district have taken control of the neighborhood, training dogs to bite Muslim inhabitants. Jewish commentators have said that the rhetoric has contributed to anti-Semitism.

June

- Argentina

  - Rosario: Three men harassed and beat Rabbi Shlomo Tawil of Chabad emmisary, while shouting anti-Semitic epithets and trampling his hat. This incident has been characterized as anti-Semitic since the attackers appeared to have approached the Rabbi with the sole intent to harm him.

- The Czech Republic

- Prague: Vandals defiled the Valediction Memorial to Jewish children who escaped the Holocaust at Prague's main railway station. The train used to transfer 669 children from the Czech capital to Britain was left with a large crack across the central windowpane of the train memorial.

May

- Austria

  - Vienna: The exhibition, by German-Italian photographer Luigi Toscano, of photos of Holocaust survivors exhibited on a central Vienna street have been defaced with swastikas. Previously, these same photos were vandalized with knives.

- Netherlands

  - Amsterdam: A Jewish man, only identified in Dutch media as Joram, was assaulted on the Netherlands' national holiday of liberation from the Nazis. 50 revelers sang about gassing Jews while pushing, kicking and verbally assaulting Joram with anti-Semitic hate speech.

April

- Canada

  - Ontario: A student posted a sign in a school hallway alleging that Israel harvests Palestinian's organs for human testing. The Peel District School Board has, since, issued an apology for not removing the poster sooner.

  - Vaughan: Anti-Semitic graffiti with the phrases "watch yourself" and "we watch" along with a swastika was spray-painted on the front of a

home. Police confirmed the hate crimes unit is investigating.

- England

  - Borehamwood: A 4-page pamphlet referencing anti-Semitic conspiracy theories like that of The Protocols of the Elders of Zion, a New World Order and the Rothschild family was posted on the doors of homes throughout the community.

  - Stamford Hill: Disturbing footage from London shows an Orthodox Jew being chased by a man with a bat. This is just one of multiple incidents that have occurred in this community in the past few months.

- France

  - Paris: Two French students filmed themselves urinating on the property of a Jewish student association, The Union of Jewish Students in France (UEJF).

- Germany

  - Dortmund: Towards the end of a dream trip to the BVB Stadium in Germany, where four Israeli children - who all hail from economically disadvantaged families in Haifa - traveled to see UEFA Champion League regulars Borussua Dortmund play, the children were humiliated and discriminated against. As soon as the staff took note of their Israeli passports, they immediately became aggressive and angry, extended certain courtesies to other passengers that were not made available to those who were Israeli and were overall extremely

discriminatory towards the Israeli group.

- Kenya

  - Nairobi: A rabbi and his wife were attacked by intruders during a robbery at a Jewish community center and synagogue. They hurled anti-Semitic insults at them and stole computers, passports, food and religious items from the center.

- Poland

  - Pruchnik: Residents in this southeastern Polish town had an effigy made to look like a stereotypical jew that was beaten by children and adults alike, hung and burned as part of an Easter ritual.

- Romania

  - Husi: A local cemetery was vandalized - 73 headstones were knocked over and smashed. The scope of the devastation is one of the worst of its kind reported in Europe this year.

- Russia

  - Moscow: On the eve of Passover a fire was set at the largest yeshiva in Moscow, Torat Chaim Yeshiva, and swastikas were sprayed on the seminary.

- Turkey

- Izmir: An unidentified attacker threw a firebomb at the Beth Israel Synagogue. He told police that he attacked the synagogue to protest Israel.

March

- Argentina

  - Buenos Aires: Graffiti reading "Genocidal Israel" was painted in the "Pasteur-AMIA" subway station near the AMIA Jewish community building. The graffiti was spray-painted in one of the memorial walls at the subway station commemorating the victims of the 1994 terrorist attack.

- Belgium

  - Aalst: A carnival float featured caricatures of Orthodox Jews with money and rats and anti-Semitic songs.

- France

  - Paris:
    - Graffiti calling for the murder of Jewish children was found on a bench of a playground in the 16th arrondissement of Paris.
    - A woman was verbally assaulted by an individual in the Paris metro who said, "Jews control the world. You are evil."

  - Strasbourg: A memorial marking the site of the former synagogue of Strasbourg, dynamited by the Nazis in 1941, was vandalized.

- Finland

  - Estonia:

    - A 27-year-old man accosted Rabbi Shmuel Kot and his two children while they were walking to synagogue, shouting "Sieg Heil" and "Heil Hitler" at them.

- Germany

  - Chemnitz: Street signs near the synagogue, commemorating Rabbi Hugo Fuchs, were torn down and destroyed.

February

- Argentina

  - San Luis: Nine graves in a Jewish cemetery in western Argentina were desecrated with Nazi symbols.

- Australia

  - Sydney: A mural at famed Bondi Beach was defaced with 20 swastikas.

- France

  - Montrouge: A Jewish school in southern Paris received a letter with anti-Semitic messages, including "France is the base for Zionism in Europe" and "If Adolf Hitler had exterminated all the Jews, the Arab countries would live in peace."

  - Paris

- Writer and philosopher Alain Finkielkraut was verbally assaulted by Yellow Vest protestors who shouted "Dirty Jew," "dirty Zionist shit," and "go back to Tel Aviv."

- "Juden" was spray-painted on a Bagelstein's café during a Yellow Vest demonstration.

- Quatzenheim: Vandals spray-painted swastikas and neo-Nazi graffiti on nearly 100 graves at a Jewish cemetery in this village near the city of Strasbourg.

- Saint-Genevieve-des-Bois: Two trees planted in memory of Ilan Halimi, the 23-year-old Jewish man abducted and killed over a decade ago by a gang of Islamist thugs, were chopped down just before the anniversary of his death.

- Sarcelles: A Jewish man wearing a kippah was attacked with stones and tear gas by a gang of young men. He had to be transported to the hospital by ambulance.

- Oman

  - A number of virulently anti-Semitic titles were featured for sale at Oman's annual state-run book fair.

- United Kingdom

  - London: A 69-year-old Jewish man walking with a cane was brutally beaten, after a man walked up to him and asked if he was Jewish.

January

- Australia

    - Melbourne: Neo-Nazi extremists posted swastikas outside of a nursing home that houses many Holocaust survivors.

- Bulgaria

    - Sofia: A man threw stones, breaking the windows of the Great Prayer Hall at the Sofia Central Synagogue.

- United Kingdom

    - Hertfordshire: A number of locations in the area were defaced with anti-Semitic graffiti including the words "Jew Ghetto" along with a Star of David.

    - London: Thieves stole Jewish prayer items (tefillin and a tallit) from a car and dumped them in a nearby pond.

- France

    - Sarcelles: A car belonging to a Jewish family was broken into, filled with trash and a mezuzah glued to the windshield.

- Germany

    - German Jewish leader and Holocaust survivor Charlotte Knobloch was threatened by supporters of the far-right German political party AfD

following her speech about Holocaust victims to German parliament.

- Peru

    - The Governor of the Junin region used anti-Semitic statements alleging Jewish control of politics, the economy and finances in Peru.

- Poland

    - Auschwitz: Polish far-right extremist leader, Piotr Rybak, who had been convicted multiple times for anti-Semitic acts and statements, led a march of extremists at Auschwitz on International Holocaust Remembrance Day, proclaiming "It's time to fight against Jewry and free Poland from them."

- Ukraine

    - Drogobych: Rocks were thrown through the windows of the Great Choral Synagogue.